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SUBJ: AMCIT POLITICAL PRISONER EXCHANGE

1. IN COURSE OF FIDEL CASTRO RECEPTION FOR AMERICAN MAYORS, JUNE 27, ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER ANILLO ASKED WHAT I THOUGHT OF PROPOSED PRISONER EXCHANGE OFFERED BY CASTRO. I SAID THAT WASHINGTON WAS STUDYING IDEA, BUT I ADDED THAT I WAS PERSONALLY CURIOUS ABOUT CASTRO'S ASSERTIONS REGARDING FOUR PUERTO RICAN PRISONERS. ANILLO VOLUNTEERED (NOT IN RESPONSE TO DIRECT QUESTION) THAT HE HAD PERSONAL IMPRESSION THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO INCLUDE OSCAR COLLAZO IN GROUP TO BE RELEASED. (CASTRO'S ADVISOR JESUS MONTANE LATER SEPARATELY BROUGHT UP PRISONER EXCHANGE IDEA AND, WITHOUT ANY PROMPTING, SAID THAT CASTRO WANTED OSCAR COLLAZO INCLUDED IN PRISONER EXCHANGE.)

2. ANILLO SAID THAT HE ALSO HAD PERSONAL IMPRESSION THAT, IF PUERTO RICANS ARE RELEASED, THEY WILL PROBABLY CHOOSE TO LIVE IN PUERTO RICO, NOT CUBA.

3. ANILLO ADDED THAT HE IS PREPARED TO RECEIVE, FOR RELAY TO LEADERSHIP, ANY THOUGHTS US HAS ON EXCHANGE PROPOSAL.

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